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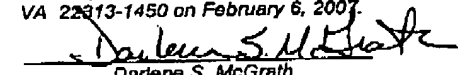
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Response To The Requirement For Restriction/Election Of Species

Dear Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction in the Office Action of November 13, 2006, Applicant hereby elects Group 2, claims 15-69 and species A (Claims 47-51 and 55-61).

Should the Patent Office have any questions regarding the present response, the Examiner is requested to contact applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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